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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to Iowa community college special registration
2 plates for motor vehicles.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.34, Code 2016, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7B. *Collegiate plates — community colleges.*

4 a. Upon application by a community college established
5 under chapter 260C and payment of the initial set-up costs
6 for establishing the collegiate plate, the department, in
7 consultation with the community college, may design a special
8 collegiate registration plate displaying the colors associated
9 with the community college.

10 b. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the
11 director may issue to the owner of a motor vehicle subject to
12 registration under section 321.109, subsection 1, motor truck,
13 motor home, multipurpose vehicle, trailer over two thousand
14 pounds, or travel trailer registered in this state, collegiate
15 registration plates created pursuant to this subsection. The
16 fee for the issuance of collegiate registration plates is
17 twenty-five dollars, which fee is in addition to the regular
18 annual registration fee for the vehicle. An applicant may
19 obtain a personalized collegiate registration plate upon
20 payment of the additional fee for a personalized plate as
21 provided in subsection 5 in addition to the collegiate plate
22 fee and the regular registration fee. The county treasurer
23 shall validate collegiate registration plates issued under this
24 subsection in the same manner as regular registration plates,
25 upon payment of five dollars in addition to the regular annual
26 registration fee. Upon receipt of the collegiate registration
27 plates, the applicant shall surrender the regular registration
28 plates to the county treasurer.

29 c. The fees collected by the director under this subsection
30 shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited
31 in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall credit
32 monthly from the statutory allocations fund created under
33 section 321.145, subsection 2, to a community college the
34 amount of the special collegiate registration fees collected
35 in the previous month for collegiate registration plates

1 designed for the community college. The moneys credited are
2 appropriated to the respective community colleges to be used
3 for scholarships for students attending the community colleges.

4 d. A personalized collegiate registration plate shall
5 not be issued if its combination of alphanumeric characters
6 are identical to those contained on a current personalized
7 registration plate issued under subsection 5. However, the
8 owner of a motor vehicle who has a personalized registration
9 plate issued for the motor vehicle may, after proper
10 application and payment of fees, be issued a collegiate
11 registration plate containing the same alphanumeric characters
12 as those on the personalized plate. Upon receipt of the
13 collegiate registration plates, the owner shall surrender the
14 personalized registration plates to the county treasurer.

15 Sec. 2. Section 321.145, subsection 2, paragraph b,
16 subparagraph (3), Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

17 (3) The amounts required to be transferred pursuant to
18 section 321.34 from revenues available under this subsection
19 shall be transferred and credited as provided in section
20 321.34, ~~subsections 7, 10, 10A, 11, 11A, 11B, 13, 16, 17,~~
21 ~~18, 19, 20, 20A, 20B, 20C, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26~~ for the
22 various purposes specified in those subsections that section.

23 Sec. 3. Section 321.166, subsection 5, Code 2016, is amended
24 to read as follows:

25 5. There shall be a marked contrast between the color of
26 the registration plates and the data which is required to be
27 displayed on the registration plates. When a new series of
28 registration plates is issued to replace a current series, the
29 new registration plates shall be of a distinctively different
30 color from the series which is replaced, except for collegiate
31 registration plates issued under section 321.34, subsection 7,
32 ~~or~~ 7A, or 7B.

33 EXPLANATION

34 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
35 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

1 This bill provides for the creation and issuance of Iowa
2 community college special registration plates for motor
3 vehicles. Any community college established under Code chapter
4 260C may apply to the department of transportation (DOT) to
5 establish and design a special collegiate registration plate
6 displaying the colors associated with the community college.

7 The fee for issuance of collegiate registration plates is
8 \$25 in addition to the regular annual registration fee for the
9 vehicle. The fee for personalized collegiate registration
10 plates is \$25 in addition to the collegiate plate fee and the
11 regular registration fee. The county treasurer validates
12 collegiate registration plates in the same manner as regular
13 registration plates upon payment of a \$5 fee in addition to the
14 regular annual registration fee.

15 The bill requires the fees collected by the DOT for community
16 college registration plates to be paid monthly to the treasurer
17 of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The bill
18 requires the treasurer of state to then credit monthly from the
19 statutory allocations fund to a community college the amount
20 of the special collegiate registration fees collected in the
21 previous month for collegiate registration plates designed for
22 the community college. The moneys credited are appropriated to
23 the respective community colleges to be used for scholarships
24 for students attending the community colleges.

25 Like other types of collegiate registration plates, a new
26 series of community college registration plates is not required
27 to be of a distinctively different color from the series which
28 is replaced.